



# **MEDIA RELEASE**

## **Tucson Fire Department**

**Fire Chief Dan Newburn**



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Contact: Captain Norm Carlton  
Public Information Office

Date: March 29, 2008

### **Ward-2 House Fire 9000 Block of E 5<sup>th</sup> Street**

Saturday March 29, 2008

Dispatch time: 0257

On scene time: 0302

Under control: 0326

This fire left a family of four without their home early Saturday morning. The fire started in the carport and rapidly moved into the house. It took firefighters 24 minutes to get the fire under control. The smoke detector alerted the family who exited the house without any injuries. The family will be staying with friends and relatives until repairs can be made.

Estimate of damages: \$125,000.00

Injuries: No injuries noted at this time

Red Cross: Not needed

Cause: Arson

Safety Message: A properly placed and working smoke detector warned this family of the fire, and they were able to exit the house quickly without injury. We urge families to check their smoke detectors monthly and replace the batteries if needed or once a year.

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